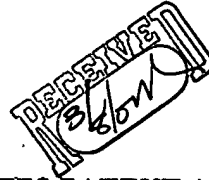


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Please cancel, without disclaimer or prejudice, Claims 2-5 and 19.

Please amend Claims 1, 3-7, 10-18, and 20.

681 > 1. (Amended) A method of electronic factoring, the method comprising; *Ref*
providing an electronic platform for use by a plurality of buyers, vendors and at least one
financial institution for factoring receivables, wherein the electronic platform is not administrated
by the vendors;
receiving, in the electronic platform, application information that is provided directly
from the buyers,
electronically assigning, in the electronic platform, each of the buyers a credit limit for
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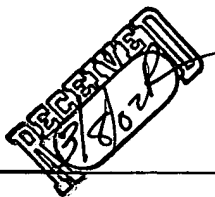
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